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CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY Washington, D. C.



NOTICE

22 August 1950

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SUBJECT: Leave of Absence.

1. The following communication has been received from the White House:

"AMVETS

OFFICE OF THE NATIONAL COMMANDER

NATIONAL HEADQUARTERS
724 NINTH STREET, N. W.,
WASHINGTON 1, D. C.
TELEPHONE: NATIONAL 0555

August 2, 1950

"Honorable Harry S. Truman The White House Washington, D. C.

"My dear Mr. President:

"AMVETS will very much appreciate your requesting the various agencies of the Federal Government to grant leave to such members of our organization in their employ who desire to attend our Sixth Annual National Convention to be held at the Hotel Hollenden, Cleveland, Ohio, September 6th through 10th, 1950.

"We realize that in times like these it is important that we stay on the job, giving the utmost of cooperation in our tasks, but we also feel that the results of the deliberations of a public-opinion group such as ours can be important to our national officials.

"We have received excellent cooperation from the Government in connection with our past conventions and are hopeful that we may receive this consideration again this year.

Sincerely yours,

HAROLD RUSSELL

National Commander

"The above copy of a letter which the President has received from the National Commander of AMVETS of World War II is respectfully referred to the heads of the departments and independent establishments of the Government for attention.

> WILLIAM D. HASSETT Secretary to the President"

2. It is desired that those employees who are members of AMVETS and who request leave of absence to attend the National Convention be granted such leave if their services can be spared without serious disruption of normal activities.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

Acting Executive

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